Strand 3: Comprehending Informational Text (Kindergarten)

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Identify, analyze, and apply knowledge of the purpose, structures, and elements of expository text.	PO 1. Identify the purpose for reading expository text. PO 2. Restate facts from listening to expository text. PO 3. Respond appropriately to questions based on facts in expository text, heard or read.

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Concept 1: Expository Text	Grade One	Grade Two	Grade Three
Identify, analyze, and apply knowledge of the	PO 1. Identify the topic of expository text, heard or read.	PO 1. Identify the main idea in expository text.	PO 1. Identify the main idea and supporting details in expository text.
purpose, structures, and elements of expository text.	PO 2. Answer questions (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how) about expository text, heard or read.	PO 2. Locate facts in response to questions about expository text.	PO 2. Locate facts in response to questions about expository text.
	PO 3. Identify organizational features (e.g., title, table of contents, heading, bold print) of expository text.	PO 3. Locate specific information by using organizational features (e.g., title, table of contents, headings, captions, bold print, glossary, indices) in expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing) PO 4. Identify a variety of sources (e.g., trade books, encyclopedias, magazines, electronic sources, textbooks) that may be used to answer specific questions and/or gather information. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing) PO 5. Locate specific information from graphic features (e.g., charts, maps, diagrams, illustrations, tables, timelines) of expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)	PO 3. Locate specific information by using organizational features (e.g., title, table of contents, headings, captions, bold print, key words, glossary, indices, italics, key words) in expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing) PO 4. Use a variety of sources (e.g., trade books, encyclopedias, magazines, atlases, almanacs, electronic source, textbooks) to answer specific questions, and/or gather information. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing) PO 5. Interpret information from graphic features (e.g., charts, maps, diagrams, illustrations, tables, timelines) of expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)

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Concept 1:	Grade Four	Grade Five			
Expository Text					
Identify, analyze, and apply knowledge of the purpose, structures, and elements of	PO 1. Identify the main idea and supporting details in expository text.PO 2. Distinguish fact from opinion in expository text.	PO 1. Identify the main idea and supporting details in expository text. PO 2. Distinguish fact from opinion in expository text, using supporting evidence from text.			
expository text.	PO 3. Determine author's main purpose (e.g., to inform,				
	to describe, to explain) for writing the expository text.	PO 3. Determine author's main purpose (e.g., to inform, to describe, to explain) for writing the expository text.			
	PO 4. Locate specific information by using organizational features (e.g., table of contents, headings, captions, bold print, glossaries, indices, italics, key words, topic sentences, concluding sentences) of expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)	PO 4. Locate specific information by using organizational features (e.g., table of contents, headings, captions, bold print, glossaries, indices, italics, key words, topic sentences, concluding sentences) of expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)			
	PO 5. Identify appropriate print and electronic reference sources (e.g., encyclopedia, atlas, almanac, dictionary, thesaurus, periodical, textbooks, CD-ROM, website) needed for a specific purpose. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)	PO 5. Locate appropriate print and electronic reference sources (e.g., encyclopedia, atlas, almanac, dictionary, thesaurus, periodical, textbooks, CD-ROM, website) for a specific purpose. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)			
	PO 6. Interpret information from graphic features (e.g., charts, maps, diagrams, illustrations, tables, timelines) in expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)	PO 6. Interpret information from graphic features (e.g., charts, maps, diagrams, illustrations, tables, timelines) in expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing) PO 7. Identify cause and effect relationships (stated and implied).			
	PO 7. Distinguish cause and effect.	PO 8. Draw valid conclusions based on information			
	PO 8. Draw valid conclusions based on information gathered from expository text.	gathered from expository text.			

Strand 3: Comprehending Informational Text (Grades 6-8)

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informational text that is a part of our day to day experiences.				
Concept 1:	Grade Six	Grade Seven	Grade Eight	
Expository Text				
Identify, analyze, and apply knowledge of the purpose, structures,	PO 1. Restate the main idea (explicit or implicit) and supporting details in expository text.	PO 1. Restate the main idea (explicit or implicit) and supporting details in expository text.	PO 1. Restate the main idea (explicit or implicit) and supporting details in expository text.	
and elements of expository text.	PO 2. Summarize the main idea and critical details of expository text, maintaining chronological or logical order.	PO 2. Summarize the main idea (stated or implied) and critical details of expository text, maintaining chronological, sequential, or logical order.	PO 2. Summarize the main idea (stated or implied) and critical details of expository text, maintaining chronological, sequential, or logical order.	
	PO 3. Distinguish fact from opinion in expository text, providing supporting evidence from text.	PO 3. Distinguish fact from opinion in expository text, providing supporting evidence from text.	PO 3. Distinguish fact from opinion in expository text, providing supporting evidence from text.	
	PO 4. Identify the author's stated or implied purpose(s) for writing expository text.	PO 4. Identify the author's stated or implied purpose(s) for writing expository text.	PO 4. Identify the author's stated or implied purpose(s) for writing expository text.	
	PO 5. Locate specific information by using organizational features (e.g., table of contents, headings, captions, bold print, italics, glossaries, indices, key/guide words, topic sentences, concluding sentences) of expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)	PO 5. Locate specific information by using organizational features (e.g., table of contents, headings, captions, bold print, italics, glossaries, indices, key/guide words, topic sentences, concluding sentences, end notes, footnotes, bibliographic references) in expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)	PO 5 Locate specific information by using organizational features (e.g., table of contents, headings, captions, bold print, italics, glossaries, indices, key/guide words, topic sentences, concluding sentences, end notes, footnotes, bibliographic references) in expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)	

- PO 6. Locate appropriate print and electronic reference sources (e.g., encyclopedia, atlas, almanac, dictionary, thesaurus, periodical, CD-ROM, website) for a specific purpose. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)
- PO 7. Interpret graphic features (e.g., charts, maps, diagrams, illustrations, tables, timelines, graphs) of expository text.
 (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)
- PO 8. Identify the organizational structures (e.g., chronological order, comparison and contrast, cause and effect relationships, logical order) of expository text.
- PO 9. Draw valid conclusions about expository text, supported by text evidence.

- PO 6. Locate appropriate print and electronic reference sources (e.g., encyclopedia, atlas, almanac, dictionary, thesaurus, periodical, CD-ROM, website) for a specific purpose. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)
- PO 7. Differentiate between primary and secondary source material. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)
- PO 8. Interpret graphic features (e.g., charts, maps, diagrams, illustrations, tables, timelines, graphs) of expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)
- PO 9. Apply knowledge of organizational structures (e.g., chronological order, comparison and contrast, cause and effect relationships, logical order) of expository text to aid comprehension.
- PO 10. Make relevant inferences about expository text, supported by text evidence.
- PO 11. Compare (and contrast) the central ideas and concepts from selected readings on a specific topic.
- PO 12. Explain how authors use elements (e.g., language choice, organization) of expository text to achieve their purposes.

- PO 6. Locate appropriate print and electronic reference sources (e.g., encyclopedia, atlas, almanac, dictionary, thesaurus, periodical, CD-ROM, website) for a specific purpose. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)
- PO 7. Differentiate between primary and secondary source materials. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)
- PO 8. Interpret graphic features (e.g., charts, maps, diagrams, illustrations, tables, timelines, graphs) of expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)
- PO 9. Apply knowledge of organizational structures (e.g., chronological order, comparison and contrast, cause and effect relationships, logical order, classification schemes) of expository text to aid comprehension.
- PO 10. Make relevant inferences about expository text, supported by text evidence.
- PO 11. Compare (and contrast) the central ideas and concepts from selected readings on a specific topic.
- PO 12. Explain how authors use elements (e.g., language choice, organization) of expository text to achieve their purposes.

Strand 3: Comprehending Informational Text (Grades 9-10)

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informational text that is a part of our day to day experiences.				
Concept 1:	Grade Nine	Grade Ten		
Expository Text				
Identify, analyze, and apply knowledge of the purpose, structures,	PO 1. Compare (and contrast) original text to a summary for accuracy of the main ideas, inclusion of critical details, and the extent to which it conveys the underlying meaning of the original text.	PO 1. Compare (and contrast) original text to a summary for accuracy of the main ideas, inclusion of critical details, and the extent to which it conveys the underlying meaning of the original text.		
and elements of expository text.	PO 2. Distinguish facts from opinions in expository selections such as editorials, newspaper articles, essays, reviews, and critiques, providing supporting evidence from the text.	PO 2. Distinguish supported inferences from unsupported inferences in expository selections such as editorials, newspaper articles, essays, reviews, and critiques.		
	PO 3. Locate specific information by using organizational features (e.g., table of contents, headings, captions, bold print, italics, glossaries, indices, key/guide words, topic sentences, concluding sentences, end notes, footnotes, bibliographic references) in expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)	PO 3. Locate specific information by using organizational features (e.g., table of contents, headings, captions, bold print, italics, glossaries, indices, key/guide words, topic sentences, concluding sentences, end notes, footnotes, bibliographic references) in expository text. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)		
	PO 4. Organize information from both primary and secondary sources by taking notes, outlining ideas, paraphrasing information; and by making charts, conceptual maps, learning logs, and/or timelines. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)	PO 4. Organize information from both primary and secondary sources by taking notes, outlining ideas, paraphrasing information; and by making charts, conceptual maps, learning logs and/or timelines for a research document or other assigned tasks. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)		
	PO 5. Interpret graphic sources of information (e.g., charts, maps, diagrams, illustrations, tables, timelines, graphs) to support ideas. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)	PO 5. Interpret graphic sources of information (e.g., charts, maps, diagrams, illustrations, tables, timelines, graphs) to support ideas. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)		
	PO 6. Use knowledge of modes of expository writing (e.g., chronological order, comparison and contrast, cause and effect relationships, logical order, classification schemes, sequence-time order, problem-solution, analogy, definition, narrative) to interpret text.	PO 6. Use knowledge of modes of expository writing (e.g., chronological order, comparison and contrast, cause and effect relationships, logical order, classification schemes, sequence-time order, problem-solution, analogy, definition, narrative) to interpret text.		

PO 7. Explain how one excerpt relates and contributes to the reading selection (e.g., sentence to paragraph, paragraph to selection). PO 8. Support conclusions drawn from ideas and concepts in expository text.	PO 7. Make relevant inferences by synthesizing concepts and ideas from a single reading selection. PO 8. Support conclusions drawn from ideas and concepts in expository text.
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Strand 3: Comprehending Informational Text (Grades 11-12)

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Concept 1:	Grade Eleven	Grade Twelve
Expository Text		
Identify, analyze, and apply knowledge of the purpose, structures, and elements of expository text.	PO 1. Critique the consistency and clarity of the text's purposes. PO 2. Distinguish among different kinds of evidence used to support conclusions (e.g., logical, empirical, anecdotal). PO 3. Make relevant inferences by synthesizing concepts and ideas from a single reading selection.	PO 1. Critique the effectiveness of the organizational pattern (e.g., logic, focus, consistency, coherence, visual appeal) of expository text. PO 2. Determine the accuracy and truthfulness of one source of information by examining evidence offered in the material itself and by referencing and comparing the evidence with information available from multiple sources.
	PO 4. Compare (and contrast) readings on the same topic, by explaining how authors reach the same or different conclusions based upon differences in evidence, reasoning, assumptions, purposes, beliefs, or biases.	PO 3. Evaluate the evidence used to support the author's perspective contained within both primary and secondary sources. (Connected to Research Strand in Writing)
	assumptions, purposes, benefit, or bluses.	PO 4. Compare (and contrast) readings on the same topic, by explaining how authors reach the same or different conclusions based upon differences in evidence, reasoning, assumptions, purposes, beliefs, biases, and argument.
		PO 5. Identify an author's implicit and stated assumptions about a subject, based upon evidence in the selection.

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Concept 2: Functional Text	Kindergarten
Identify, analyze, and apply knowledge of the purpose, structures, clarity, and relevancy of functional text.	PO 1. Sequentially follow a two or three-step set of directions (e.g., recipes, center directions, classroom procedures, science experiments) using picture clues. PO 2. Identify signs, symbols, labels, and captions in the environment.
structures, clarity, and	

Strand 3: Informational Text (Grades 1-3)

Concept 2: Functional Text	Grade One	Grade Two	Grade Three
Functional Text			
2. Identify, analyze, and apply knowledge of the purpose,	PO 1. Follow a set of written multi- step directions with picture cues to assist.	PO 1. Follow a set of written multi- step directions.	PO 1. Follow a set of written multi- step directions.
structures, clarity, and relevancy of	PO 2. Determine whether a specific	PO 2. Determine whether a specific task is completed, by checking to make	PO 2. Provide multi-step directions.
functional text.	task is completed, by checking to make sure all the steps were followed in the right order, with picture cues to assist.	sure all the steps were followed in the right order.	PO 3 . Evaluate written directions for sequence and completeness.
	PO 3. State the meaning of specific signs (e.g., traffic, safety, warning signs).	PO 3. State the meaning of specific signs, graphics, and symbols (e.g., computer icons, map features, simple charts and graphs).	PO 4. Interpret information in functional documents (e.g., maps, schedules, pamphlets) for a specific purpose.

Strand 3: Comprehending Informational Text (Grades 4-5)

Concept 2:	Grade Four	Grade Five
Functional Text		
Identify, analyze, and apply knowledge of the purpose, structures, clarity, and relevancy of	PO 1. Locate specific information from functional text (e.g., letters, memos, directories, menus, schedules, pamphlets, search engines, signs, manuals, instructions, recipes, labels, forms).	PO 1. Locate specific information from functional text (e.g., letters, memos, directories, menus, schedules, pamphlets, search engines, signs, manuals, instructions, recipes, labels, forms).
functional text.	PO 2. Interpret details from functional text for a specific purpose (e.g., to follow directions, to solve problems, to perform procedures, to answer questions).	PO 2. Interpret details functional text for a specific purpose (e.g., to follow directions, to solve problems, to perform procedures, to answer questions).

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Concept 2:	Grade Six	Grade Seven	Grade Eight
Functional Text			
Identify, analyze, and	PO 1. Use information from	PO 1. Use information from text and	PO 1. Use information from text and text features
apply knowledge of	text and text features to	text features to determine the sequence	to determine the sequence of activities needed to
the purpose,	determine the sequence of	of activities needed to carry out a	carry out a procedure.
structures, clarity, and relevancy of functional text.	activities needed to carry out a procedure. PO 2. Identify the text features (e.g., directions, legend, illustrations, diagram, sequence, bold face print, headings) of functional text. PO 3. Interpret details from functional text for a specific purpose (e.g., to follow directions, to solve a problem, to perform a procedure, to answer questions).	procedure. PO 2. Determine what information (e.g., steps in directions, legend, supplies needed, illustrations, diagram, sequence) is missing in functional text. PO 3. Interpret details from a variety of functional text (e.g., warranties, product information, technical manuals, instructional manuals, consumer safety publications) for a specific purpose (e.g., to follow directions, to solve problems, to perform procedures, to answer questions	PO 2. Determine what information (e.g., steps in directions, legend, supplies needed, illustrations, diagram, sequence) is extraneous in functional text. PO 3. Interpret details from a variety of functional text (e.g., warranties, product information, technical manuals, instructional manuals, consumer safety publications) for a specific purpose (e.g., to follow directions, to solve problems, to perform procedures, to answer questions. PO 4. Evaluate the adequacy of details and facts from functional text to achieve a specific purpose.

Strand 3: Comprehending Informational Text (Grades 9-10)

Concept 2:	Grade Nine	Grade Ten
Functional Text		
Identify, analyze, and apply knowledge of the purpose, structures, clarity, and relevancy of functional text.	PO 1 Synthesize information from multiple sources (e.g., texts, maps, illustrations, workplace documents, schematic diagrams) to solve a problem. PO 2. Synthesize information from multiple sources (e.g., texts, maps, illustrations, workplace documents, schematic	PO 1. Synthesize information from multiple sources (e.g., texts, maps, illustrations, workplace documents, schematic diagrams) to solve a problem. PO 2. Synthesize information from multiple sources (e.g., texts, maps, illustrations, workplace documents, schematic
	diagrams) to draw conclusions.	diagrams) to draw conclusions.
	PO 3. Identify the objective(s) of functional text (e.g., warranties, product information, technical manuals, consumer publications, workplace documents).	PO 3. Analyze the effectiveness of functional text (e.g., warranties, product information, technical manuals, consumer publications, workplace documents) to achieve its stated purpose(s).

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Concept 2: Functional Text	Grade Eleven	Grade Twelve
Identify, analyze, and apply knowledge of the purpose, structures, clarity, and relevancy of functional text.	PO 1. Analyze the structures of functional text (e.g., their format, graphics and headers) to determine how authors use these features to achieve their purposes.	PO 1. Analyze how the patterns of organization, hierarchic structures, repetition of key ideas, syntax, and word choice influence the clarity and understandability of functional text. PO 2. Evaluate the logic within functional text.

Strand 3: Comprehending Informational Text (Grades 1-3)

Concept 3:	Grade One	Grade Two	Grade Three
Persuasive Text			
Explain basic elements of argument in text and their relationship to the author's purpose and use of persuasive strategies.			PO 1. Distinguish fact from opinion in persuasive text (e.g., advertisements, product labels, written communications). PO 2. Identify persuasive vocabulary (e.g., emotional words) used to influence readers' perspectives.

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Concept 3: Persuasive Text	Grade Four	Grade Five
elements of argument in text and their relationship to the author's purpose and	PO 1. Determine the author's position regarding a particular idea, subject, concept, or object. PO 2. Identify persuasive vocabulary (e.g., loaded/emotional words, exaggeration) used to influence readers' opinions.	PO 1. Determine an author's position regarding a particular idea, subject, concept, or object, using supporting evidence from the text. PO 2. Identify the intended effect of persuasive vocabulary (e.g., loaded/emotional words, exaggeration, euphemisms) that the author uses to influence readers' opinions. PO 3. Identify the intended effect of persuasive strategies (e.g., peer pressure, bandwagon, repetition) that the author uses to influence readers' perspectives.

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Concept 3: Persuasive Text	Grade Six	Grade Seven	Grade Eight
Explain basic elements of argument in text and their relationship to the author's purpose and use of persuasive strategies.	PO 1. Determine the author's specific purpose for writing the persuasive text. PO 2. Identify the facts and details that support the author's argument regarding a particular idea, subject, concept, or object. PO 3. Describe the intended effect of persuasive strategies and propaganda techniques (e.g., bandwagon, peer pressure, repetition, testimonial, transfer, loaded words) that an author uses.	PO 1. Determine the author's specific purpose for writing the persuasive text. PO 2. Identify the facts and details that support the author's argument regarding a particular idea, subject, concept, or object. PO 3. Describe the intended effect of persuasive strategies and propaganda techniques (e.g., bandwagon, peer pressure, repetition, testimonial, transfer, loaded words) that an author uses.	PO 1. Determine the author's specific purpose for writing the persuasive text. PO 2. Evaluate the effectiveness of the facts used to support an author's argument regarding a particular idea, subject, concept, or object. PO 3. Describe the intended effect of persuasive strategies and propaganda techniques (e.g., bandwagon, peer pressure, repetition, testimonial, transfer, loaded words) that an author uses. PO 4. Identify specific instances of bias in persuasive text.

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Concept 3: Persuasive Text	Grade Nine	Grade Ten
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Explain basic elements of argument in text and their relationship to the	PO 1. Identify the central argument and its elements (e.g., argument by cause and effect, analogy, authority, emotion, logic) in persuasive text.	PO 1. Describe the central argument and its elements (e.g., argument by cause and effect, analogy, authority, emotion, logic) in persuasive text.
author's purpose and use of persuasive strategies.	PO 2. Evaluate the appropriateness of an author's word choice for an intended audience.	PO 2. Describe how persuasive techniques (e.g., repetition, sentence variety, understatement, overstatement) contribute to the power of persuasive text.
	PO 3. Identify unsupported inferences or fallacious reasoning (e.g., circular reasoning, false causality, overgeneralization, over-simplification, self-contradiction) in the arguments advanced in persuasive text.	PO 3. Identify unsupported inferences or fallacious reasoning (e.g., circular reasoning, false causality, overgeneralization, over-simplification, self-contradiction) in the arguments advanced in persuasive text.

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Concept 3:	Grade Eleven	Grade Twelve	
Persuasive Text			
Explain basic elements of argument in text and their relationship to the author's purpose and use of persuasive strategies.	PO 1. Analyze the power, validity, and truthfulness of the arguments advanced in persuasive text. PO 2. Evaluate the arguments an author uses in a document to refute opposing arguments and address reader concerns. PO 3. Identify unsupported inferences or fallacious reasoning in arguments advanced in persuasive text.	PO 1. Evaluate the merit of an argument, action, or policy by citing evidence offered in the material itself and by comparing the evidence with information available in other sources. PO 2. Evaluate the effectiveness of an author's use of rhetorical devices in a persuasive argument. PO 3. Identify unsupported inferences or fallacious reasoning in arguments advanced in persuasive text. PO 4. Evaluate persuasive sources for adherence to ethics.	